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**Re: Integrated Report – 2008 List of Impaired Waters and Surface
Water Quality Assessment [303(d)/305(b)].**

Dear Mr. Karkoski:

Please accept the comments of the San Joaquin River Group Authority for the Integrated Report of the 2008 §303(d) List of Impaired Waters and §305(b) Surface Water Quality Assessment. The compact disc includes the comments, appendices, and referenced documents relied upon and referenced in the comments. We have also included one hardcopy of the comments and all appendices.

The comments have four appendices, A through D. Appendix A, separately bound, consists of flow and electrical conductivity data for Vernalis from 1904 through 2006. It is also provided as both an Excel spreadsheet and pdf file. Appendices B through D are bound together. Appendix B consists of SWAMP data, maps of the Lower San Joaquin River, Stanislaus county soil survey and crop report data, and policy statements from Central Valley irrigation and water districts. Appendix C is a 2006 memorandum from Les Grober regarding San Joaquin River salinity. Appendix D is two memorandums from Nancy Carter and Neil Schwertman, professors in the Department of Math and Statistics at CSU Chico, regarding compliance with the Vernalis EC Objective.

Please contact me if you have any questions about any of the materials provided or the SJRGA's comments.

Very truly yours,
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